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Nutmeg stared at Jake through clouded eyes. Jake's eyes filled with tears for his dying mate.

"Hang on there, Nutmeg, please, your kits need you!" Jake pleaded.

No sound came from Nutmeg as her breathing stilled. Jake looked at the mewing kittens that had been born. He leaned down and sniffs them.

3 of the kits were dead. The living she-kit is barely breathing and the living tom-kit seems fine. Jake picked up the tom-kit and the she-kit and brought them to a human house's doorstep.

He sets them down and looked at the door. He yowled at the door for many heartbeats before a female twoleg opened the door. He nudged the she-kit to her and sat back to wait.

The female twoleg picked up the she-kit and reached out for the tom-kit. The tom-kit started mewing when the twoleg touched him, and Jake's fatherly instincts kicked in.

He leapt up and stood in front of the tom-kit protectively, hissing and clawing at the hand. The human grumbled before taking the she-kit and closing the door.

Jake sighed and looked at the tom-kit. He picked him up and started walking. A ball of fur barreled into him, causing him to let go of the tom-kit in surprise. Jake look at the cat who ran into him and stilled as he recognized the scent of...

BloodClan.

The cat looked at the tom-kit and their eyes gleamed. They looked back at Jake. "What's the kits name?" The cat snarled.

"Rusty," Jake quickly anwered.

"I'll be taking him," the cat, who is a female with a ginger colored fur, picked up Rusty and ran away.

Jake blinked in shock, then he realized what happened and growled. He raced after the she-cat in hopes of getting his son back.

He was stopped from the guards BloodClan has. He watched as *his* kit got announced as the son of "Scourge". Jake knew there was no getting him back so he gave up and turned around. His tail and head hung low as he walked away from the "clan".

Sorrow stung his heart like a bee stinging him. He wondered what he was going to do now. The Twoleg Place seemed to be the place where bad things happen to Jake so he felt upset about staying there.

Maybe i could go to Talltail? Would he even welcome me? Jake thought, his head low and tail drooping.

You mouse-brain! Just go to him! A part of his brain screeched at him. Jake lifted his head and tail, and nodded.

"Yes, I'll go to Talltail," Jake decided and walked off to find his long lost friend.

Short summary of what happened to Jake-
Jake found Talltail and was told that he's Tallstar now. Jake asks to join WindClan and Tallstar lets him, out of pity for his friend. Jake's warrior name is Owlbreeze.

What happened next to Rusty-
Rusty reached three moons as the so called "Son of Scourge". Even if they're half-brothers which Scourge doesn't know. Scourge was cold to Rusty and would train him harshly to defend himself. That's why Rusty ran away.

Rusty ran through the forest, his pads stinging with pain because of running for so long. He was a small cat and at the age of three moons. He stopped running and started panting. He heard a rustle and fear shot through him.

He started shivering and stared at where the sound was coming from in fear for what was to come.

A big dark brown tabby tom came out of the bushes. The tom looked down at Rusty in surpruse before growling, "What are you doing on ThunderClan's territory?"

"T-Th-hunderClan? W-what i-is t-th-hat," Rusty stammered, fear in his wide green eyes.

"You don't know?" The tom asked in confusion.

"N-no, sir," Rusty answered, watching the tom carefully.

He can't be a kittypet because he has no collar. Maybe he's a lost loner kitten? Explains the scars. Maybe his father abandoned him like my father did to me, Tigerclaw thought.

"Well, I'm Tigerclaw. ThunderClan is one of the four Clans that reside here in the wild. The other three are called ShadowClan, RiverClan (RiverClam), and WindClan. ThunderClan lives in the forest near the Twoleg Place. ShadowClan lives in the pines and the area that has frogs. WindClan lives in the open moor. RiverClan lives in a watery area. You and i, we are on ThunderClan's territory," Tigerclaw told Rusty.

"I'm R-Rusty," he meowed. "What is ThunderClan like?"

"ThunderClan is a great Clan but we are currently being lead by a kittypet lover, Bluestar. A fool named Redtail is the current deputy. The four Clans all have a leader and deputy. When the leader dies, the deputy takes their place and then a warrior, who has trained at least one cat in the Clan, will be chosen as deputy. The leader of WindClan is currently Tallstar. The leader of RiverClan is currently Crookedstar. The leader of ShadowClan is currently Brokenstar. The

deputies are Owlbreeze, for WindClan, Leopardfur, for RiverClan, and Blackfoot, for ShadowClan," Tigerclaw explained to Rusty.

"Kittypet?" Rusty questioned.

"A kittypet is a cat who chooses to live with Twolegs and they're, most of the time, big softies that can't do anything. Kittypets steal prey sometimes from our territory," Tigerclaw patiently told Rusty. "They steal the prey that helps us live becajse they just want to and they don't need need it."

"That's mean!" Rusty protested.

Tigerclaw nodded, "I know. Kittypets are not to be trusted. My own father, Pinestar, abandoned me for the soft life of a kittypet," he hissed at the end.

"Why do they have -star in their name?" Rusty asked Tigerclaw curiously.

"That means they are, or were, a leader. I have a dream to be leader of a Clan, most likely ThunderClan," Tigerclaw answered with a gleam in his amber eyes. Rusty smiled.

"You'd make a great leader!" Rusty meowed with a huge smile that could light up the earth if it wanted. Tigerclaw felt like someome clawed at his heart because it was too cute.

"Would you like to join ThunderClan?" Tigerclaw suddenly asked.

Rusty's eyes lit up and he nodded. "Yes! Yes! Yes!" He meowed. Then he seemed to think about something and looked sad. "But wouldn't they not accept me?"

"We can tell them that you are my son," Tigerclaw decided and Rusty's eyes lit up once more.

"Okay, dad!" Rusty meowed happily. Tigerclaw smiled softly and picked Rusty up from the scruff of his neck.

He then took Rusty towards camp.

"But what will you call me?" Rusty asked.

"Firekit."

And so, that's how Firekit entered ThunderClan as Tigerclaw's mysterious son that randomly appeared. Goldenflower looked sad at the thought that someone that wasn't her had had a kit with Tigerclaw. We continue the story at when they are Apprentices. Firepaw's mentor is Tigerclaw. Ravenpaw's mentor is Runningwind. !Begins at battle at Sunningrocks!

Firepaw raced along his "dad" and mentor. They stopped at Sunningrocks with the others. Firepaw sniffs the air and his fur bristled.

"RiverClan," he hissed. Tigerclaw looked at his adopted son then at the water and crouched.

Then the fighting began.

It all happens like in the book, except for Redtail's death.

Firepaw stayed with Tigerclaw and watched as Oakheart died. He then looked at Redtail.

For my father! Firepaw thought as he leapt onto Redtail's back, forcing his body weight to have Redtail be pinned.

"Great job, Firepaw." Tigerclaw complimented while going in front of Redtail, who was trying to get up but failing.

Tigerclaw lowered his head to glare at Redtail with his amber eyes. He put a paw, with unsheathed claws, on top of Redtail's head and looked at Firepaw. He nodded in a silent signal. Firepaw then slashed open Redtail's throat with a cold stare. He looked at Tigerclaw in a look for approval.

Tigerclaw smiled and then grinned. "Wash off your paws," he told his apprentice who did that.

"Let's go back and bring the body back to camp," Tigerclaw meowed and they took the body to camp.

Firepaw spotted a black and white tom standing in camp next to Graypaw and Ravenpaw (Tigerclaw is holding the body of Redtail). Firepaw frowned and went towards them but was stopped by Spottedleaf. Spottedleaf brought him to the Medicine Cat Den to have his wounds checked up on.

He was given Poppyseeds so he fell asleep.

When he woke up, he was free to leave. Firepaw went to find the tom he saw yesterday. Not to his surprise, Firepaw found the tom chatting with Graypaw with Ravenpaw making comments here and there. He approached the trio with a hint of suspicion in him but hid it in his expression, which was seen as curious.

"Hello," Firepaw said. The tom looked at him and smiled.

"You're Firepaw, right?" The tom questioned.

"Yes, how did you know?" Firepaw asked.

"I told him. His name is Snakepaw. He used to be a kittypet," Graypaw told Firepaw happily. Firepaw stilled.

Kittypet?

Tigerclaw said that kittypets were bad. Kittypets are prey stealers.

"Oh," Firepaw only said then walked away to tell Tigerclaw.

He couldn't believe it! A kittypet in camp! What if the kittypet decides to steal all of the Clans food and have them starve to death?! What was Bluestar thinking! Oh wait, Tigerclaw had told Firepaw when he was a kit, that Bluestar is a kittypet lover. Well that explains it. Firepaw had these thoughts running through his head as he approached his mentor, who was glaring at Lionheart.

"Tigerclaw, dad, did you hear the news about the new kittypet in the Clan?" Firepaw asked Tigerclaw. Tigerclaw looked at Firepaw and nodded.

"Yes, it was a foolish thing to do. A foolish decision made by Bluestar," Tigerclaw growled, obviously in a bad mood.

"I hear his apprentice name is Snakepaw," Firepaw told him. Tigerclaw huffed.

"A name that doesn't fit a kittypet," Tigerclaw muttered. Firepaw nodded in agreement. He took a glance at Snakepaw. Snakepaw looked at him and smiled. Firepaw felt heat in his cheeks and quickly looked away and at Tigerclaw.

"Can we go practice my hunting?" Firepaw asked, wanting to get out of camp as soon as possible. Tigerclaw opened his mouth to respond by Lionheart interrupted.

"Hey, Tigerclaw, can you lead a border patrol? You can decide who comes with," Lionheart asked Tigerclaw who nodded, "Thanks Tigerclaw!" And he walked away.

Tigerclaw looked at Firepaw and Firepaw looked at him.

"I'm coming," Firepaw meowed and Tigerclaw nodded his head.

Tigerclaw then picked to have Mousefur, Longtail, Whitestorm, and Sandpaw come with them on the patrol. They then went out. Sandpaw walked really close to Firepaw and Firepaw started feeling uncomfortable.

Mousefur and Longtail were talking happily with each other (i ship them) and Firepaw felt even more uncomfortable. Whitestorm had started talking with Tigerclaw so there was no one to help poor Firepaw.

"So, does anyone interest you," Sandpaw suddenly asked. Firepaw nearly jumped in surprise but luckily didn't.

"No. You don't interest me," Firepaw responded coldly, speeding up to walk behind Tigerclaw. Whitestorm noticed Firepaw and gave him a smile, which Firepaw did not return.

They finished the patrol and Firepaw layed down in his nest in the Apprentice Den. He thought about BloodClan and shuddered. He was glad that he escaped them and that Tigerclaw saved him. He was forever greatful to Tigerclaw for that.

And with those thoughts, Firepaw fell to a gentle sleep.

There'll be a part 2. Don't worry.

A Dark Path- The Fallen Warrior

[image]

Warriors belongs to Erin Hunter! Also, GORE WARNING!

Firepaw followed Runningwind, Tigerclaw, and Lionheart towards the sandy hollow with Graypaw, Ravenpaw, and the kittypet by his side. He looked up at the clouds drifting lazily across the sky. He felt the kittypet watching him with those amber eyes of his. Firepaw looked at the kittypet and glared.

"Why are you staring?" He hissed, his tail lashing.

The kittypet blinked and looked away then shrugged. "I don't know. Hey," the kittypet looked at him again, "did you know your pelt looks like fire in the sunlight?"

"Oh?"

"It kinda looks nice," the kittypet commented.

W-what?!

"Wha- why- why would you think- wh-" Firepaw tried to form a proper sentence butbwas at a loss for words. The kittypet gave a laugh.

"We're here!" Lionheart announced.

Firepaw huffed and went to Tigerclaw. Tigerclaw looked at him. "You'll be having some hunting practice with the other three. I expect for you to bring more prey back then that kittypet," he hissed the last sentence. Firepaw nodded and saw thag the others were ready also. Ravenpaw looked nervous while Snakepaw looked excited for it.

"Go!" Runningwind shouted and the apprentices took off to find

something to hunt.

Firepaw caught a squirrel and a small mouse when he heard meows. He flicked a ear and picked up his prey, walking to the sound. He spotted a gray she-cat with scars, Snakepaw, Runningwind, Lionheart, Bluestar, and Tigerclaw talking. Tigerclaw looked furious.

"You'll be taking care of Yellowfang, Snakepaw and that's it," Bluestar decided. She looked at Yellowfang, "We'll be taking you to our camp so you'll have our protection."

"Typical of ThunderClan cats," Yellowfang grumbled but went along.

Firepaw was confused so he went to Tigerclaw to ask. "Who was she?" He asked after setting his prey on the soft ground.

"A past ShadowClan medicine cat," Tigerclaw growled.

"ShadowClan? Why would Bluestar let a ShadowClan cat into our camp? She's mad!" Firepaw protested.

"Respect your leader Firepaw!" Tigerclaw growled, clawing Firepaw's ear harshly with claws unsheathed. Blood dripped from the wound.

"Sorry, dad," Firepaw whispered, his tail dripping.

'I got him angry...'

"Pick up your prey, we're going back to camp," Tigerclaw hissed, walking off.

Firepaw nodded and picked up his prey then following his mentor.

-time skip to after they go to the moonstone and when they arrive at camp to the attack-

Firepaw jumped into battle with Snakepaw by his side. Firepaw leaped at Clawface and clawed at his stomach. Clawface kicked out his legs causing Firepaw to have to get off. Clawface crouched down

to pounce when Snakepaw tackled him, swatting him away from Firepaw. Firepaw and Snakepaw looked into each others eyes, nodded, and fought Clawface side by side.

Firepaw and Snakepaw, together, chased Clawface away. They smiled at each other.

"We make a good team," Firepaw commented. Snakepaw nodded.

ThunderClan successfully chased off ShadowClan and afterwards, Bluestar called a Clan meeting.

"We have sadly lost our loyal deputy Lionheart in the fight," Bluestar meowed. Firepaw saw Graypaw crying over his mentor with Ravenpaw supporting him. "And so, i must pick a new deputy. I say these words before StarClan, so that the spirits of our warrior ancestors may hear and approve of my choice. The new deputy of ThunderClan is Tigerclaw!"

Firepaw got a cold feeling within him and swallowed. He got a gut feeling that this wasn't good even though Tigerclaw is his mentor and he should be proud of him.

Firepaw leaned close to Snakepaw and whispered in his ear, "Get Ravenpaw and Graypaw and meet me at the back of the apprentices den."

Snakepaw looked curious but nodded anyways and went to Ravenpaw and Graypaw.

Firepaw went into the apprentices den and waited for them. He watched as they entered and went to him. They sat next to him.

"What is it?" Ravenpaw asked curiously.

"I-i have something to say..." Firepaw started. Then thought quickly of what he should say.

"Tigerclaw killed Redtail."

Time skip to after the gathering because we have to go through books in just 1 part

Firepaw, Ravenpaw, Graypaw, and Snakepaw left to go looking for Yellowfang and the kits. Ravenpaw planned on leaving so they said goodbye to him. So, it was Firepaw, Graypaw, and Snakepaw.

They found Yellowfang and then the whole fight happened.

Firepaw was named Fireclaw.

Graypaw was named Graystripe.

Snakepaw was named Snaketooth.

Then Fireclaw and Snaketooth retrieved WindClan and met Owlbreeze.

Things happen normally from there but when Tigerclaw is exiled, Fireclaw goes with. Snaketooth is sad but gets with Sandstorm.

Okay, to the dogs!

Fireclaw heard barking in the distance and loud meows. He felt horror and ran to the sound. He sat a apprentice in a tree and a apprentice trying to get up. He raced towards them and leaped onto a dog that was going for the apprentice. He clawed and bited at it's big back.

The dog threw him off but he luckily landed on his paws. He glanced and saw the apprentices watch with horror. The one he saved jumped down and fought one of the dogs, probably trying to help.

"No! Go back on the tree! You'll die!" Fireclaw yowled. The apprentice looked at him from the corner of his eyes.

"No way, mouse-brain!" The apprentice yowled back but then yelled out in pain as a dog bit his back.

Fireclaw was too distracted that he didn't see the dog reach it's jaws close to his tail till his felt immense pain. He whirled around and clawed at it's jaws. He also kicked. The dog let go with a whimper.

"Stay in the tree!" Fireclaw yelled to the only apprentice alive, the

one in the tree. "Wait for your Clanmates!"

He then raced off, the dogs following him. He saw a tree and hurriedly climbed it. He waited for the dogs to leave. He looked at his tail. It was bleeding horribly and he sighed. He licked it softly then climbed down the tree only to be face to face with Tigerclaw.

"What do you think you were doing?" Tigerclaw snarled.

"Helping, i couldn't let them die," Fireclaw responded evenly.

"Fool!"

Tigerclaw reached up his paw and clawed at Fireclaw's left eye. Fireclaw hissed in pain as blood rolled down his face from his eye.

"Sorry," Fireclaw whispered.

Tigerclaw growled and walked away.

Things happen normally from there but Fireclaw helps Snaketooth only to find out that Snaketooth fell in love with Sandstorm. Fireclaw felt betrayed so he went back to Tigerclaw only to find Scourge there. That's where we pick up!

Fireclaw stared in shock at Scourge. Scourge stared back coldly. Scourge looked at Tigerstar.

"Leave, i need to talk with my son," Scourge hissed. Tigerstar nodded and left. Scourge looked back at Fireclaw.

"I'm not your son," Fireclaw snarled.

"You claim that but you lie to everyone," Scourge meowed.

"A father wouldn't train his son harshly," Fireclaw responded and glared.

"I suspect Tigerstar here wasn't any better?" Scourge questioned.

"I-" Fireclaw didn't know how to answer that.

"See. You can't trust these cats, they'll just repeat every bad thing

that happened. Remember your mother? I was asked to care for you but it seems I've failed because you have fallen for their lies," Scourge hissed.

Fireclaw thought of his past love for Snaketooth and realized that Scourge was right. He couldn't trust them. He couldn't trust the forest cats.

"If i can't trust them, who will i trust?" Fireclaw whispered.

"You can start with me and *my* Clan," Scourge meowed.

"But once you take over the forest, you'll be forest cats," Fireclaw snarled. "I have given up my trust in forest cats so, good bye, Scourge."

He turned around and stalked out of the camp with his tail lashing behind him. He walked out of the Clans territory but didn't know what he was getting into.

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I'll just summarize what happens next to Fireclaw then, afterwards, I'll tell y'all what happened to Snaketooth, or shall i say Snakestar?

Fireclaw wanders around and meets Darktail. Fireclaw joins Darktail and is there in Vision of Shadows but dies of old age but not before meeting Squirrelflight, Leafpool, Jayfeather, Lionblaze, Alderheart, and Bramblestar. When he meets them he asks of Snaketooth/Snakestar and they find out who he is. Fireclaw is happy that Snakestar lived a good life and dies.

After that, Fireclaw gets 3 choices. Rebirth, The Dark Forest, or StarClan. Fireclaw goes to where Snakestar is so StarClan. Then they just become friends while watching over the Clans. Fireclaw also meets Hollyleaf.

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Snaketooth becomes deputy and basically, he takes Firestar's role and place. But in the great battle, Snakestar blames Tigerstar for causing Fireclaw pain. Snakestar is happy to reunite with Fireclaw. Sandstorm gets along with Fireclaw in StarClan too.

The end!

Ehh, i could've added more details to the storys oof.

Hoped y'all enjoyed!